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INORGANIC OXIDE SURFACES
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Examiner:

This is in reply to the Office Action of February 27, 2006, imposing a restriction requirement in the above-referenced patent application. As the shortened one-month statutory period for response to the Office Action expired on March 27, 2006, Applicant has enclosed a credit card authorization for a two month extension of time.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant provisionally elects the claims of Group I (Claims 1-17) for examination with traverse. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the restriction requirement with regard to Groups I and III for the reasons discussed below.

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